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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Honorable Thomas E. Petri  
House of Representatives  
2245 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Petri:

This is in reply to your letter of May 6, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituents' concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,

/S/

Joseph A. Levin  
Chief, Policy & Planning Branch  
Private Radio Bureau

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House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

May 6, 1993

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Washington, D.C. 20554

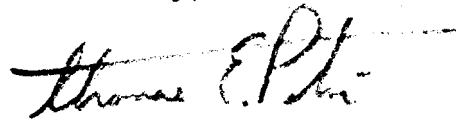
Dear Ms. Belvin:

I am writing to you on behalf of several of my constituents from Wisconsin.

They are concerned with the FCC new spectrum allocation rules contained in PR Docket 92-235. They feel that the new rules will have the unintentional effect of limiting the available bandwidth for radio controlled modelers to unacceptably narrow limits. I must admit that they raise seemingly valid concerns. I think you will find that the enclosed correspondence is self-explanatory. I would appreciate it if you would review the situation described within and provide me with a report on this issue.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Thomas E. Petri  
Member of Congress

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FEB 04 1993

Rt. 2 Box 135  
Warrens, WI 54666  
January 27, 1993

The Honorable Tom Petri  
United States House of Representatives  
2245 Rayburn Bldg.  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Petri:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am active in two R/C clubs whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio-controlled model airplanes. I personally own 3 radios, and twenty R/C models and have a workshop full of other products necessary to operating my models.

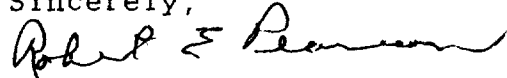
I am very concerned about the proposed rule that is currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio-control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This

many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We all need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid halting these proposals from going into effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert E. Pearson".

Robert E. Pearson  
Rt. 2 Box 135  
Warrens, WI 54666

THE HONORABLE THOMAS PETRI  
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, DC 20515

APR 29 1993

DEAR CONGRESSMAN,

RE: PR DOCKET 92-235

I AM AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE "WISCONSIN SCALE BOATING ASSOCIATION", A CLUB OF BOATING ENTHUSIASTS BASED IN THE MILWAUKEE AREA. OUR MEMBERS BUILD ALL TYPES OF MODEL SHIPS, MANY OF WHICH ARE RADIO CONTROLLED.

PR DOCKET 92-235 WOULD INSERT COMMERCIAL RADIO FREQUENCIES BETWEEN FREQUENCIES CURRENTLY IN USE BY MODELERS. INTERFERENCE WILL OCCUR AND RENDER MOST MODEL FREQUENCIES UNUSABLE.

CLUB MEMBERS OPERATE THEIR MODELS AT PUBLIC PARKS, LAKES, MARINAS, ETC. AND PROVIDE MANY HOURS OF ENTERTAINMENT TO SPECTATORS. LAST YEAR WE ALSO HELD DEMONSTRATIONS AT THE BOTANICAL GARDENS IN MILWAUKEE, THE VETERANS HOSPITAL, BOAT SHOWS, MALLS, ETC.

SOME MODELS WEIGH OVER 50 POUNDS AND ARE 5-6 FEET LONG, CAPABLE OF SPEEDS OVER 20 MILES PER HOUR.

RADIO INTERFERENCE FROM THE PROPOSED FREQUENCY CHANGE COULD CAUSE LOSS OF CONTROL CAUSING MUCH DAMAGE TO THE MODEL, POSSIBLY EVEN BODILY INJURY TO OURSELVES OR SPECTATORS.

PERSONALLY, I OWN 6 PIECES OF RADIO EQUIPMENT WHICH WOULD HAVE THEIR USE SEVERELY LIMITED IF THIS PROPOSAL PASSES. I HAVE SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS INVESTED IN EQUIPMENT THAT I USE IN MY HOBBY, NOT TO MENTION THE TIME AND LABOR I HAVE SPENT WHILE BUILDING MY MODEL SHIPS.

LOCAL HOBBY SHOPS WOULD SURELY MISS THE MONEY WE SPEND AS ACTIVE MODELERS.

PLEASE VOTE NO TO PR DOCKET 92-235

YOURS TRULY,

*Charles E. Lewis*

Robert H. DeBoth  
1805 Van Buren St.  
New Holstein, WI 53061

MAR 24 1993

Feb 9, 1993

Mr. Rep. Thomas Barrett,

I am writing this letter in regard to the proposed FCC

MAR 24 1993

Rep. Tom Petri  
House of Rep.  
Washington D. C. 20515

3-18-93

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Angsten

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Tom Petri,

I am writing you concerning a NPRM PR Docket 92-235. This has to do with a restructuring of frequency use. I fly model airplanes in my spare time and enjoy it very much. We just went through a new series of radio frequency changes to allow the use of more channels for modeling use, this was set up by the FCC, along with help from other areas including the AMA. The proposed change they are talking about would deal us a great blow, maybe even wipe out the modeling industry and model aviation.

We currently have a 10MHZ spacing to any commercial user. The proposal would allow them to insert new user's at a 2.5 KHZ away from our frequencies. Our equipment would not be able to handle this kind of arrangement; not to mention all of the other people that would be affected by this type of deal. I feel that this should be voted down because of the tremendous impact it would have all across the U.S.A. on radio mfg. & model mfg. and people who buy all of the related equipment. This is a hobby that is enjoyed by many, many people in the U.S. and around the world; please let's keep it that way.

Thank You;  
Jim Rosera  
W5548 Hickory dr.  
Appleton, WI 54915

*Jim Rosera*

FEB 09 1993

Carl J. Brusky  
44 Thistle Down Ct.  
Appleton, Wi 54915

February 2, 1993

The Honorable Thomas Petri  
United States House of Reps.  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Sir:

I am very concerned about the proposed rules that are

to avoid radios of the same frequency be on at the same time and causing a crash, plus other safety guidelines to avoid injury to the pilot, spectators and aircraft.

I was at a model show this past weekend. The excitement of the kids was fascinating. Many of the kids bought little balsa models that you throw. These kids were having a great time with these models. To build and fly RC models, a person learns a great deal. First he learns basic construction techniques, and how certain areas of the model require greater strength due to the stress. Second he learns a basic understanding of electronics. There are different battery packs, servos, receivers, transmitters, etc. He learns how far his transmitter will reach, how to check for loose electrical connections, and how the system basically works. Third he learns to be a mechanic. If the engine is not running good the plane may crash so the individual must have a understanding of how engines work. And fourth he learns how and why an airplane flies. What creates the lift, what causes drag and what makes them turn and go up and down, etc. I believe that a vast amount of knowledge is gained by kids who build and fly models. In this age, the kids need all the help

February 1, 1993

FEB 08 1993

The Honorable Thomas E. Petri  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Representative Petri:

I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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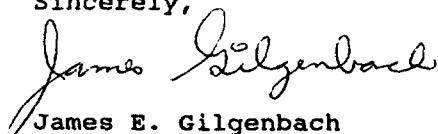
When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



James E. Gilgenbach  
N6145 Nelson Road  
Fond du Lac, WI 54937

radio interference causes the operator to loose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full compliment of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radio's but we have considerable investment in our models, radio equipment, flying sites etc. I personally can account for over \$5,000 of investment in the last few years alone. Couple that with the investment of over 200,000 AMA members and other enthusiasts, hobby shop owners and operators, the amount of personal investment is staggering. The hobby also provides many hours enjoyment for myself, my son and the hundreds of thousands of participants and spectators. It also adds to the commercial advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal for the 72-76 MHz band.

*Maurice D. Ribble*

Maurice D. Ribble  
9631 Sundown Lane  
Two Rivers Wisc. 54241

414-7554039 Home  
414-6847881 Work

P.S. My son and I are both members of the Manitowoc Flyers which is a Radio Control Model Airplane Club that encompasses the city's of Manitowoc and Two Rivers Wisconsin and the surrounding area. We are also both members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) which has been the main regulator of official rules for safety and the organization that has worked over the last 50+ years with the FCC on such items as radio frequencies.

We greatly appreciate any help you can provide us with maintaining our current frequencies and keeping this a safe hobby!!! Please feel free to contact me at any time if you need any additional information or have any questions.

February 1, 1993

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Good Morning,

I am a former U.S. NAVY aviator who has always been intrigued by airplanes. Since 1967 I have derived many years of enjoyment from constructing and flying radio control airplanes. I am presently serving as president/secretary of the Sparta Area Model club, a club very active in radio control aircraft.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing

**DONALD H. NOLL  
3414 PARKWAY BOULEVARD  
TWO RIVERS WI 54241**

**MANITWO FLYERS/MEMBER**

**FEB 10 1993**

February 9, 1993

The Honorable Thomas Petri  
House of Representatives  
Washington DC 20510-0001

Dear Representative Petri,

I have been interested in aviation for many years and spend much of my time enjoying the sport of building and flying model radio-controlled airplanes. I am very active in my local club, "The Manitwo Flyers", in the Manitowoc/Two Rivers area of Wisconsin. Our club sponsors many events each year, including mall shows, flight demonstrations and many hours at the local schools introducing aviation to school children. I personally own eight radios, seven airplanes, two boats and a race car. The investment is quite a bit.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private and mobile dispatch operations. However, radio-control

January 29, 1990

The Honorable Thomas E. Petri  
U.S. House of Reps.  
6th Congressional District  
2262 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

FEB 1 1990

My son and I derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio control model airplanes. This has been a wonderful learning experience for my son who has applied what he learns in school to actual practice. Our relationship has grown closer through this great hobby. Many of our country's leaders and astronauts have started as model airplane enthusiasts and still remain so today.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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When my son and I, along with many fellow club members, fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio frequencies. If the number of useable frequencies diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become extremely congested and the margin of safety will be greatly diminished.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 pounds. These models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if

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Dear Mr. Petri:

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Feb. 10, 1993

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The Honorable Tom Petri  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Petri:

Being a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics and a local flying club, I am extremely concerned about proposed rules currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (PR Docket 92-235). If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrow bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. This will move land mobile frequencies closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio output, therefore greatly increasing the probability of interference to modelers.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control at organized events and contests, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Our safety precautions involve the careful coordination & use of the radio control frequencies. If their number is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased. Models are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference caused the operator to lose control of the craft.

The FCC should not seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. Modelers contribute \$3½ billion to the economy annually. Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my hobby by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

*Roland G. Brandt*

Roland G. Brandt  
510 Silverwood Lane  
Neenah, WI 54956

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Division of Kyindlog Services, Inc.

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February 10, 1993

The Honorable Tom Petri  
U.S House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Petri,

I am a hobby retailer who sells radios, radio-controlled models and related products in my store.

It has recently come to my attention that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering an action that has the potential to destroy my business and that of thousands of other retailers nationwide like myself. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

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The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band (or R/C cars and boats) now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

When we operate our R/C models, we go to great lengths to ensure

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio-control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radio, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. It is a billion dollar industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people and contributions to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue my business without interference by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid this economic mistake.

Sincerely,

*William K. Kelley, Pres.*

REPRESENTATIVE  
THE HONORABLE TOBY ROTH  
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REP.  
WASHINGTON, DC 20515

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We all need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid halting these proposals from going into effect.

I ALSO THINK THAT A FCC PERMIT SHOULD BE PURCHASED, TO PROVE OWNERSHIP, AND GIVE COUNT ON HOW MANY RC'ERS THERE ARE.

SINCERELY,

DON SPINDLER  
6496 PAYNES PT.  
NEENAH WIS. 54956  
AMA NO. 419835

*Don Spindler*

Received, referred,  
not recommended

FEB 22 1993

February 7, 1993

Honorable Thomas Petri  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Petri:

I am a concerned citizen who derives many hours of enjoyment  
~~from constructing and operating Radio Controlled Airplanes~~

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operations and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the

~~number of frequencies will become so small that the number~~

February 23, 1993

Rep. Thomas Petri  
U. S. House of Representatives

MAR 01 1993

Dear Representative Petri:

I am writing to you in the interest of myself, modelers and modelers nationwide.

In our area we fly radio controlled model airplanes. The radios used are the 72-76 band. Radio control shares space with land mobile radio.